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13. [redacted] Reached Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, at home early in the evening and told him that I had talked with the Director about his inquiry regarding possible disclosure of Agency personnel figures for Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam and that the Director felt he could not agree to them being given to Representative Bella Abzug. Although Slatinshek accepted this without argument, I went on to explain to him that although Colby felt he could not agree to have Chairman Lucien Nedzi, Intelligence Subcommittee, pass these figures to Abzug, he felt Nedzi, as Chairman of the Subcommittee, had the authority to do this on his own initiative. I also pointed out that we felt our overseas strength figures were particularly sensitive.

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